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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yasuhiro SHIMADA et al.

Application No.: 09/819,669

Filed: March 29, 2001

For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM ARRAY,
METHOD OF FABRICATING THE SAME,
CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE
APPARATUS, AND DEVICE
MANUFACTURING METHOD

Examiner: K. Nguyen

Group Art Unit: 2881

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FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed on October 23, 2001, January 29, 2003, June 5, 2003, August 7, 2003, and January 28, 2004, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form and to the copending application discussed below. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

These documents were cited during prosecution of copending U.S. patent application number 09/819,907, filed March 29, 2001, a copy of which was previously submitted in this application.


Applicants request that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants also would like to clarify the record. Specifically, Applicants filed a Letter Submitting Corrected PTO-1449 Form on March 4, 2004. The information given in that Letter is correct. Namely, on the second page of the List of References Cited by Applicants (PTO-1449 form attached to the Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 28, 2004), the third-listed U.S. patent number should be -- 6,566,664 --, rather than "6,566,644." Applicants, however, carried the mistake over into the corrected PTO-1449 form attached to the above-noted Letter. In any event, the correct patent number, namely -- 6,566,664 -- was previously cited in the Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 7, 2003. Accordingly, the "corrected" PTO-1449 form provided with the above-noted Letter should be ignored.

No fee is believed to be due with the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205 should any fee be deemed necessary for filing this paper.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	US-6,465,796 B1	10/15/2002	Haraguchi et al.	250	492.23		
	US-4,200,794	04/29/1980	Newberry et al.	250	396 ML		
	US-6,121,625	09/19/2000	Ito et al.	250	492.22		
	US-6,014,200	01/11/2000	Sogard et al.	355	53		
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	US-5,105,089	04/14/1992	Yamada	250	492.2		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT		

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)	

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